



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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Ms. Susan K Psaledakis, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Town of Dunstable
511 Main Street
Dunstable, MA 01827

Dear Ms. Psaledakis:

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed the Town of Dunstable's request for certification of its approved Affordable Housing Plan, which we received on December 30 2005. We are pleased to certify that Dunstable is in compliance with its approved plan in accordance with 760 CMR 31.07(1)(i)5.

In our review of Dunstable's documentation, we have made the following findings:

1. Salmon Brook Commons is eligible to be counted towards certification at this time. Please note however that if building permits are not issued within a year of the issuance of the comprehensive permit for these projects, these units will be removed from the Subsidized Housing Inventory and will no longer be eligible for certification. This action may affect the term of your certification period.
2. The total number of eligible units in this project (30) meets the number necessary to satisfy a two -year certification threshold of 1.5% of total year-round housing units specified in 760 CMR 31.07(1)(i).
3. The housing development is consistent with the production goals outlined in the town's Affordable Housing Plan.

This certification is effective for a two-year period beginning on December 30, 2005 and ending December 29, 2007. During this period, a decision by the Dunstable Zoning Board of Appeals to deny a comprehensive permit or grant a permit with conditions shall be consistent with local needs.

On behalf of DHCD, I offer our congratulations and gratitude to the Town of Dunstable for its efforts to expand the supply of low- and moderate-income housing. Please continue to keep us posted on your progress, and let us know if we can be of assistance as you move forward. If you have any questions, please contact Phillip DeMartino, Office of Policy Development, at (617) 573-1357.

Sincerely,

Jane Wallis Gumble
Director

Cc: Senator Steven C. Panagiotakos
Representative Robert S. Hargraves
David Johnson, Chair, Dunstable Affordable Housing Committee
Elizabeth Malloy, Policy Analyst, DHCD